SCREEN SHADOWS

Now That German Films Have Gained a Foothold Here, Italian Movie Concerns Are Forging to the Front With Pictures.

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"La Nave," but the Ital-nding after it other pico show that they are distin-d at other arts besides eating till. One pretentious picture is already represented here by t is "The Life of the Borgias." and this may break out in public at

any moment.

It was exhibited in England, but is reported to have been less stimulating to Englishmen than their "arf and art." It is lavishy staged, but the problem of religious feeling enters into it, for two of its best scenes, one purporting to show Pope Alexander VI. (Rodrigo Borgia) procuring his elevation to the papacy by the College of Cardinals through the offer of bribes, and the other exhibiting a wild party that isn't exactly a stag affair when the French King visits ham, are not likely to be preferred on Sunday as a substitute for church, for they are said to be much more pronounced than the usual

come back and keep D'Annunzio's name before the public still, now that the Flume advertisement is over. It is in-teresting to note that Marie Doro, Amer-ican actress, appeared before the camera in Italy in four pictures, with Herbert Brenon carrying the responsi-bility of the world on his shoulders as director.

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at is understood to be by all odds greatest of Italian pictures will be finished nor exhibited—but before you shed those tears. The with characteristic sangfroid, set out to put Genesis on the screen. The producers obtained an immense subsidy from the Italian Government, so the story goes, and then, when the picture was three-quarters completed, word came from the Vatican that it would not countenance such a production because the Papai See had heard that the rs were presenting the scriptural in too hectic a manner, with and Eve strictly au naturel. So oducers had to abandon the picture et they violated motion picture ent and for once stuck closely to

Nice is promising to develop into the Los Angeles of Europe, with its picturesque scenery—we have it on the word of Baedeker—its palatial residences and its sunlight, that the natives are willing to match against any sample from California. Three or four Italian and French companies have started operating there, though so far, the natives concede, the crop of scandal in the movie colony has been very poor and compares unfavorably with Holly-wood.

wood.

Miss Ivy Duke and Guy Newall, popular English stars, have had a studio at Nice and allowed Maurice Maeterlinck to pick up some points about the movies which he didn't absorb at Hollywood, this time getting them in his own language, which he appears to understand better than English. The British pair are closing their studio and will return to England to rest and get back in the tea habit again, after which in about ten weeks they will launch weeks they will launch on the United States, with

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peem or an old play, and then throwing away the rest of the song, &c. A great deal of interest centres in new film combination, composed of L. Lawrence Weber—assisted by Bobby North—the Warner Brothers, who have made a specialty of serials, and Harry Hapf, are projecting a new picture, "School Days," for which they needed only the title to give them the right stimulus. They have bought the music rights to the song from Gus Edwards, and will now proceed to forget them. The story has yet to be manufactured, but what does that matter—hasn't practically everybody, even in the film business, been to school?

Miss Carmel Myers has just finished. "The Scarlet Shawl," under the direction of Jack Conway, and will begin work on her next feature, "The Black Cap," under the same director. The latter is a magazine story which appeared in Collier's and is from the pen of Wadsworth Camp.

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TRANK VREELAND.

that German films have mented "Why Girls Leave Home" on the creen, dropping the original melodrams by the wayside because Miss Anna novie concerns are taking Q. Nilson left home so fast the former grace and are likewise forsthe front with pictures which ready to throw on the mercy ready to throw on the mercy. are ready to throw on the mercy merican audiences. Like the Gerter trust they are united in a gentrombination, the UCI, which is Unione Cinematografica Italiana starred in the new venture, but he will be the freedy him out to the new triumvirate at a couple of dollars per feeckle. The youngster will be directed to the new venture, but he will be the starred in the new venture, but he will be the freedy him out to the new triumvirate at a couple of dollars per feeckle. The youngster will be directed to the new venture, but he will be the feeckle to the fee the Unione Cinematografica Italiana freekle. The youngster will be directed by Will Nye, who preserved Ambassa-dor Gerard's "My Four Years in Gerovernment, as are most of the film

Later Nye is likely to direct a new picture in which Vera Gordon will be starred at keeping motherhood upper-most. Miss Gordon, whose triumphal propress through the West has caused interest in the control of the work of the

Arrangements have been completed for the introduction into this country of another German film, "The Hunchback and the Dancer," mentioned before, which will be here as the guest of Landy and Turnbull. In this connection it is interesting to note that the Cermans are now so convinced that they have planted their pictures so firmly in the American market that not even a California earthquake could disloake them that they are no longer permitting options to be taken on their products by film entrepreneurs here, but are demanding spot cash, in the same

Personal Notes of the Screen Players

much more pronounced than the usual "clerical errors" seen on the screen.

The Italians are preparing to take the bull by the horns and revive "Quo Vadis," their big Roman spectacle, and it is also reported that "Cabiria" may come back and keep D'Annunzio's name before the public still, now that the

Sessue Hayakawa and his wife, Tsuru Aoki, have a collection of Japanese kimonos valued at \$100,000.

Miss Pauline Frederick has the largcollection of feather fans extant.

A cable message from Kathleen Norris, just received by Goldwyn, announces that she and Major Norris have sailed for the United States. After a holiday in Europe, both writers are returning to their literary work. Mrs. Norris, the latest author to be added to the Goldwyn roster, will leave soon after her arrival in New York for the studios at Culver City. Cal., to assist in the preparation of her first screen story.

John M. Stahl is now engaged in cut-ting his initial independent unit produc-tion, "The Child Thou Gavest Me." which he recently completed in production at the Louis B. Mayer studio.

Wallace MacDonald, well known leading man, has been added to the cast of the next Will Rogers picture, "A Poor Relation." which Goldwyn is preparing to put into production.

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"The Scarab Ring." Miss Alice Joyce's forthcoming Vitagraph production, has been completed at the Brooklyn studio and work begun on another picture. Edward Jose directed "The Scarab Ring."

At the Capital Will. Programme will be made lypse," the Metro adaptation of Ibanez's novel, is still at the Astor.

William De Mille's production, "The Rong" begins the Metro adaptation of Ibanez's novel, is still at the Astor.

In "Three Word Brand," William S. Hart's forthcoming Paramount picture, the Western star plays a triple role, a father and his twin sons, one of whom becomes the Governor of Utah Territory.

Albert Russell staged an automobile

Miss Pickford Appears in Own Film; Will Rogers on Screen in Cobb Story



Dorothy Dalton and Ethel dance hall. A comedy also is on the film num, Friday, "Uncharted Seas," with Miss Alice Lake, Saturday, and "Deception" Sunday and Monday. Clayton in Other Picture

The interior ocenes have been practically completed by George Randolph Chester for the Vitagraph feature. The Son of Wallingford," which he wrote in collaboration with Mrs. Chester.

Maclyn Arbuckle for a long time shied at the pictures. But they finally lasseed him, and the first of his screen appearances is to be made in a picturized version of Holman Day's story. "Squire Phin." The Producers Security Corporation is getting the Arbuckle picture ready for New York presentation. In "Squire Phin" Mr. Arbuckle will enact the role of the squire, which he originated in the stage production of "The Circus Man."

Miss Alice Calhoun has completed the contribution to the screen. "Through the Back Sylvia Ashton and Clyde Fillmore. Theomas Heffron directed the production and Douglas Doty adapted the stage success to the screen. It is a satire on "gentle grafters," persons who neglect to pay their bills and ask whether they day. The basic idea of the picture was conceived by Miss Pickford herself, and from this Miss Marion Fairfax wrote the scenario. Miss Pickford's brother, Jack Pickford, was active in the direction. Because a servant loved her, the story tells, and because her stepfather made her mother leave her stage production of "The Circus Man."

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"Closed Doors," her new production tion from her mother, who thought The supporting cast in-Harry Dittmar. It was filmed under the direction of G. V. Seyffertitz.

Cludes Miss Gertrude Astor, Miss Wil- at the Park.

fred Lucas, Miss Helen Raymond and

Clayton in Other Picture

Novelties.

Miss Ethei Clayton in "Sham," a Paramount picture of the comedy-drama success of the stage by Elmer Harris and Miss Geraldine Bonner, will be the feature at the Rivoil, The cast includes Theodore Roberts, Walter Hiers, Miss Sylvia Ashton and Clyde Fillmore. The Capitol orchestra, under Sylvia Ashton and Clyde Fillmore and Douglas Doty adapted the stage success to the screen. It is a sattre on and Douglas Doty adapted the stage success to the screen. It is a sattre on the Strand Theatre commencing to day. The basic idea of the picture was conceived by Miss Pickford herself, and from this Miss Marion Fairfax and from this Miss Marion Fairfax ments.

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MISS ETHEL CLAYTON

by the Capitol ballet corps in silhouette.

At the Strand a light opera overture
will be played by the orchestra, alternately conducted by Carl Edouarde and
Francis E. Sutherland. A vocal prologue in which the Strand male quartet

Another discovery in the person of little Mary Philbin, the seventeen-year-old only be personaded to follow her taken the Mary Philbin, the seventeen-year-old winner of the recent brains and beauty counters held by a Chicago newspaper, has sixued a contract with Carl Lammie. The siri will be featured in "The Harbor Road," the novel by Sara ware Bassott, which soon will be placed in movie with the title of a song, or a model play, and then throw-

Albert Russell staged an automobile wreck for the tweighth episode of Art Miss Marie Prevost has been signed the season at the Times Square Theatre, director.

specially selected company, including A. E. Matthews, who was brought over from London for the revival.

TRENTON STOCK COMPANY. Joseph A. Golden, owner of the Crys-

tal Film Studios, is to establish a stock company in Trenton, N. J., opening at the Grand Theatre on May 23 with Guy the Grand Theatre on May 23 with Guy Boiton and George Middleton's comedy, "Adam and Eva." Mr. Golden has en-gaged Miss Mirlam Doyle, who was with David Warfield last season, as leading woman, and Ben Taggart as leading man, with Miss Florence Flynn also under contract.

inder contract.

It is Mr. Golden's intention to pre week the attraction will be Miss Floronce Reed in "The Mirage," by Edgar
selwyn. This is the play in which Miss
Reed appeared with success earlier in Smith and Golden staff will be the stage

Light Opera More Difficult Than

So Says Miss Painter of 'The Last Waltz,' and She's

Last Waltz, and She's

Done Both.

George Sidney is just as homey and informal and reiendly as the character of the estage even more than she does on the stage even more than she does on the process of the stage even more than she does on the process of the stage even more than she does on the process of the stage even more than she does on the process of the stage even more than she does on the process of the stage even more than she does on the process of the stage even more than she does on the process of the stage even more than she does on the process of the stage even more than she does on the process of the stage even more than she does on the process of the stage even more than she does on the process of the stage even more than she does on the process of the stage hand. So it is somewhat of an anomaly to hear this diminutive dura—the stage in the stage even more merely by her stage but by her exuberance—to hear her say that she believes in "discipline," until you discover that what she means is the discipline of grow word light opera stage should be drafted.

"Grand opera training for musical comedy is most valuable," she said the other night wills not the other night wills not the the other night wills not the the other night wills not the theory of parts—and variety never hurt any one yet, unless rim prejudiced. Many a poor girl here stall training, and presently, after she's done the part institution of parts—and variety never hurt any one yet, unless rim prejudiced. Many a poor girl here stall training, and presently, after she's done the part institution of parts—and variety never hurt any one yet, unless rim prejudiced. Many a poor girl here stall training, and presently, after she's done the part institution of parts—and variety never hurt any one yet, unless rim prejudiced. Many a poor girl here stall training, and presently, after she's done the part institution of the double of the p

voice asking for it.

"Aside from the training. I suppose I liked operatic work abroad because it was such fun, particularly the fact that there was such free and wholesale comradeship back stage, and then out in the

radeship back stage, and then out in the street you were merely a civilian again and all the members of the company bowed stiffly to each other, with the hand on the heart. Opera gives one scope to act, and I'm happy when I'm acting—even if I have to be sad rather than show no emotion at all.

"That's why this role is one of the hardest I've ever had, because it's such a straight part, and you have an awfully difficult time on the stage just playing yourself. I like to show some deep feeling, and that's why the hardest part of the performance for me is during the 'Mirror' song, when I'm simply called upon to look sweet. I dislike to look merely sweet.

"But I have such a good time acting that no matter what the role, the open-

ACTOR TELLS WHEN APPLAUSE IS NOXIOUS TO THE PLAYERS

Grand to Sing George Sidney Had Fears "Welcome Stranger" Would Not Be a Success Because of Friends in First Night Audience.

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pecial Despatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.
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human nature.

"Again and again, at first nights I've attended, I've seen the play get an ovation that made it look like another 'Lightnin',' and then the death watch

New \$5,000,000 Structure to Countess del Sera of Rome Among the Arrivals at the Resort.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., May 14.—The new \$5,000,000 hotel in Chelsea, below Salisbury, Garden City and Meadow

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